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People

Durward (Duke) B. Bidle, job training and safety consultant with the North Carolina Department of Community Colleges assigned to the state's EMCs, has been honored by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association for his 59 years of service to line safety and training. The honor came to him in the form of a plaque, which was presented at the 1975 Annual Meeting of N.C. EMC in March.

Noel Lee Jr., a director of Edgecombe-Martin County EMC, has been re-elected to serve another term as North Carolina's representative on the Board of Directors of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association. His election came during the N.C. EMC Annual Meeting.

Twelve EMC directors and one EMC manager have been honored by N.C. EMC for their years of service to the rural electric program in North Carolina. Each was presented a certificate of recognition at N.C. EMC's Annual Meeting.

The directors and their periods of service were:

John Samuel Key, Walter Lee Smith and **Joe Pendry,** all of Surry-Yadkin EMC, 35 years; **Archie T. Lane, James A. Whitehurst** and **Joseph A. Wiggins,** all of Albemarle, 30 years; **Tommie Temple,** Albemarle EMC, 25 years; **Kyle Harrington,** South River EMC, 25 years; **David W. McGimsey,** Rutherford EMC, 20 years; **John McVay Farrell,** Wake EMC, 15 years; **Newell E. Carroll,** Davidson EMC, 15 years; and **Jesse A. Rice,** French Broad EMC, 15 years.

The manager was **B.F. Morton** of Carteret-Craven EMC, who was recognized for 25 years of service.

The **Clive Edwards** family of Alleghany County have been named North Carolina's "Conservation Farm Family of the Year" for 1974 by the Soil Conservation Service. The family, including Mr. and Mrs. Edwards, their two sons and a daughter-in-law, runs a farm w 55 milking cows and a beef cattle oper tion featuring 75 brood cows.

Monroe Evans Gardner of Raleig author of the popular newspaper colu "Garden Time" and a professor eme tus at N.C. State University, died in Ja uary at the age of 79. Mr. Gardner w head of the NCSU, Department Horticultural Science for 25 years a was a member of its faculty for 47 yea His column had appeared in more th 150 non-daily newspapers across t state for nearly 20 years.

Miss Evel Francyne Do of Kinston, senior at the U versity of Nor Carolina Chapel Hill, h been named Nor Carolina's Pri cess Soya f 1975. Miss Do won the honor over eight other conte ants in the competition, which was spo sored by the N.C. Soybean Producers A sociation. She will represent the state a national competition in August.

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COVER — Nancy May of Durham painted this beautiful watercolor beach scene especially for *Carolina Country*. Ms. May, who works part time as a medical technologist in neurosurgery at Duke Hospital, has a degree in medical technology from Wake Forest University. The artist has studied watercolor privately for four years, developing her style through actual experience at the coast. She has exhibited in several one-woman shows in Chapel Hill, Raleigh and Pawley's Island, S.C. On May 31, she will present a show at Nags Head in conjunction with the dedication of Jockey's Ridge Park. (Full-color reprints of the cover painting may be ordered from *Carolina Country*. See ad, Page 18.)

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The Eloquence of Numbers

The recent shutdown of 23 nuclear power plants across the country has provided some documented evidence of the potential economies which can be realized from this controversial energy source, in comparison with fossil fuels.

The reactors were closed for inspection of their cooling pipes after cracks were discovered in such pipes in a Commonwealth Edison plant in Morris, Ill. No radiation was released by the cracks, but the Nuclear Regulatory Commission ordered the tests as a precaution.

No cracks were found in either primary or emergency cooling pipes at 21 of the plants, and most of these were back in operation after shutdowns averaging two weeks. The two which have not yet been approved are the Edison plant, where an additional crack was discovered, and a second Edison plant at Morris, Ill., where local power problems delayed the inspection.

During the shutdown, the fuel charge costs on some North Carolina consumers' electric bills rose by one-fifth. Virginia Electric and Power Co. officials say the shutdown of that firm's two nuclear reactors raised the fuel costs for the owners of some all-electric homes by as much as $15 a month for February and March. They estimate that operation of the nuclear plants saves their customers about 0.2 cents per kilowatt hour in fuel costs.

These figures are a persuasive argument in behalf of nuclear power as a desirable alternative to fossil fuel-based electricity.

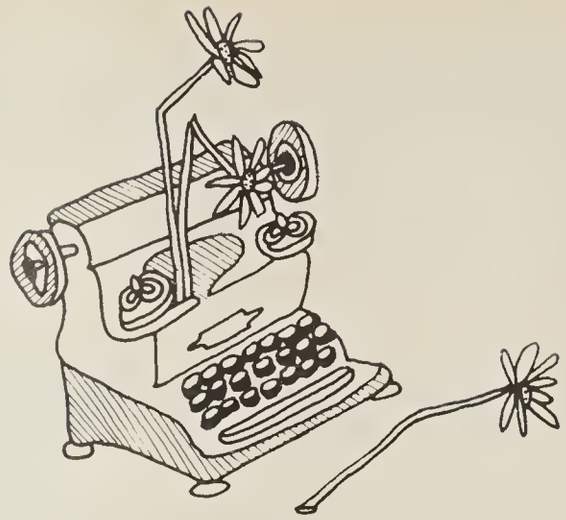
But an even more eloquent argument is offered by figures in a report issued by the National Academy Sciences: Most of the world's oil will be exhausted within 50 years, with the reserves of the Middle East being used up in about 30 years.

Obviously, the nation ***must*** find a substitute for oil as a source of electric energy — whatever the cost. The coal supplies are expected to last longer than the oil, but they cannot carry the burden alone.

Our view of this situation coincides with that of a group of distinguished American scientists who recently issued a joint statement favoring expansion of the nation's nuclear power base.

They said: "We can see no reasonable alternative to an increased use of nuclear power to satisfy our energy needs."

Owen Bishop



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SLANTED COVERAGE CITED

Authorities in the energy field are expressing concern about slanted media coverage of the pros and cons of nuclear power. One example of this trend occurred in reference to the recent shutdown of 23 nuclear reactors for government-ordered inspections of their cooling system pipes. (See Editorial, page 3) The shutdown made major headlines across the country, but there's been scarcely a mention of the fact that potential safety hazards were discovered at only one of the plants inspected.

A similar example was cited in a recent address by Dr. Thomas S. Elleman, head of the nuclear engineering department at NCSU. Dr. Elleman pointed out that a recent newspaper headline reported there were 1,421 accidents in the nuclear industry last year. "Only close reading of the news article revealed that there had been but four accidents of direct significance to the public, none of which produced any release of radioactivity," he said. He added that the media's "one-sided presentation" is exposing the general public to "an increasing number of articles which are anti-nuclear in tone."

NUCLEAR SAFER THAN COAL?

The results of a special study carried out at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology offers a new perspective on the dangers of nuclear power. It concluded that coal-fired power plants are more dangerous than nuclear power reactors.

David Rose, a nuclear engineer and an independent researcher at MIT, compar the social and economic costs of two hypothetical 1,000 megawatt power pla one nuclear and the other coal-fired. He carried his analysis from the coal and uranium mines all the way to the storage and disposal of waste materia

He found that the nuclear plant would produce about one death every two yea and the death would result directly from the mining operation. The coal plant would result in disabling about 100 miners each year from black lung disease, and 40-100 deaths a year amo the general public from respiratory ailments resulting from air pollution

NUCLEAR "FUTURE SHOCK"

Nuclear-based electric energy is by no means a concept for the distant future -- it is very much with us today, in a small way.

The nation's 53 nuclear reactors provide 7 percent of the U.S. electri power. Most of the electricity gener ated by North Carolina's two primary power suppliers -- CP&L and Duke Powe is coal-fired: 68.2 percent for CP&L and 77 percent for Duke during 1974. But, nuclear power was the source of 18.6 percent of CP&L's generation and 15 percent of Duke's. Projection for 1975 call for the nuclear percentage to rise to 26 percent for CP&L and 31 percent for Duke.

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CHINQUA-PENN PLANTATION

By Cindy Secrest

One of North Carolina's most popular tourist and visitor attractions is a 51-year old plantation mansion offering an educational experience in international culture and decorative arts.

This 27-room showplace, which also features carefully-groomed grounds encompassing a horticultural wonderland of plants, flowers, shrubs, and trees, is Chinqua-Penn Plantation near Reidsville.

The mansion and its grounds are open to visitors under the auspices of the Un versity of North Carolina at Greensbor

The Chinqua-Penn House overlooks a magnificant formal garden.

The Main Living Room exhibits a variety of international decor.

It attracts more than 25,000 visit each year, according to Chinqua-Pe Executive Director, George Hamer.

"Our peak season is between Mar and mid-June. Then, about 4,000 peo tour during December, when we decor the house for Christmas," said Ham retired vice chancellor for developm at UNC-G.

Chinqua-Penn was the home of M and Mrs. Jefferson Penn until Mrs. Pe gave it to the Consolidated University 1959, although she continued to l there until her death in 1965.

The responsibility for maintaining t mansion and grounds was assigned UNC-G, while the remainder of the la was turned over to N.C. State Universi to maintain as a tobacco resear project.

The Penns traveled extensively arou the world, purchasing a wide variety art objects and furnishings for the home. These curios, most of which a kept as they were when the Penns we living, make Chinqua-Penn a uniqu showcase.

International Collectior

From the elaborate Main Living Roo to the rustic "Mud" Room, the enti house is a glowing example of tastefu diversity. Although some guest bedroom are done in a particular style of a individual country, most of the areas the house remain exemplary of a comb nation of styles from different countri and time periods.

The exterior of the house resembl that of an Old English country hom All of the stone used in the building wa quarried on the Chinqua-Penn property

Perhaps as impressive as the mansio itself — and certainly as beautiful — a the spacious grounds of Chinqua-Pen The landscape, like the mansion furnishings, contains a mixture of bot rustic and ornate styles.

One of the most striking outdoor at tractions is the Chinese Pagota locate beside the swimming pool. The statue and floor tiles were purchased in th Orient to decorate this colorful pavillio Rangoon temple bells hang as wi

chimes and their ringing provides a pleasant sound.

There are several fountains and statues placed strategically in the yard and gardens. A formal garden, rose garden, cutting garden, herb and vegetable garden also surround the house.

Most visitors enjoy exploring the grounds, eventually finding their way to the gardening center, where five greenhouses are used in the care and development of the estate's plants. Horticulturalist Dwight Talley and his gardeners stay busy growing seasonal plants and flowers to either replant in the gardens or decorate the home.

Floral arrangements are changed regularly to maintain a fresh look as well as seasonal decoration. In December, the house is filled with poinsettia plants and festive greenery. During Holy Week, Easter lilies adorn the home. Every season offers something exciting in bloom. The gardeners strive to make these plants peak at exactly the right time and they are eager to show their work and discuss it with pride.

A Touch of the Past

Much of the original atmosphere and personality of Chinqua-Penn has been retained through the presence of several people who have been a part of the Penn community for many years. Mrs. Penn's butler, chauffeur, and gardener have all stayed on at Chinqua-Penn to continue their work of providing the country home atmosphere the Penns enjoyed. Working closely with the administrators at UNC-G, they seek to help Chinqua-Penn remain as Mrs. Penn left it, while continuing innovative changes which help accommodate the public more easily.

The new owners of the estate are fortunate in having the full cooperation of Walter Liebscher, who held the position of butler at the mansion for 18 years. Serving as manager of the house for the administrator, Liebscher takes pride in helping to preserve the house for all visitors to enjoy.

Liebscher seems very much at home guiding visitors through the mansion and sharing stories of the days when the Penns lived there. He affectionately recalls a humorous housekeeping incident. "After being away from Chinqua-Penn for 14 years, I returned in 1945 just a few months before Mr. Penn died. Mrs. Penn was going on a trip and had helped pack all the ornaments away. When I replaced them out again for her return, I had no idea where everything belonged, so naturally each item was out of place. I decided to take care so that wouldn't happen again. Next time she went away, I drew a diagram of every little piece and marked it so before she came back, I had put everything back exactly as it was. Wouldn't you know it! When she returned, she casually mentioned that she had decided to change everything around again!"

Each visitor to the mansion receives his initial welcome from the friendly security guard for Chinqua-Penn, Bob Boyles. After serving for 15 years as Mrs. Penn's chauffeur, Boyles assumed his new duties on the estate when she died, and he now wears the grey and blue uniform of a UNC-G security guard. Boyles resides on the Penn property in the gatehouse lodge the Penns used as a home while the mansion was under construction.

Charles Talley, who was the Penns' gardener for 40 years, has retired, but still works part-time at the greenhouse helping his son Dwight, who succeeded him as Chinqua-Penn horticulturalist. Eager to share with others the background of each plant and tree, Talley glows in recollecting stories about the colorful Penn family.

He is especially reminiscent of the unique Penn burials. Although Mr. Penn died in Virginia, he had picked out a spot for his heart to be buried on the plantation. "After he was cremated, as was his desire, his heart was buried behind the house in a grave dug through blasted rock. During the religious ceremony, the ashes of his body were scattered from an airplane across the vast plantation. That was his request and Mrs. Penn carried it out in detail."

Horticulturalist Dwight Talley in one of the plantation's greenhouses.

Executive Director George Hamer talks with House Manager Walter Liebscher.

Photos provided by the UNC-G News Bureau

Visiting Chinqua-Penn

Chinqua-Penn Plantation House and Gardens are open to the public Wednesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Sundays from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. July 4th and Thanksgiving Day are observed as holidays and the house and gardens are closed from the third Sunday in December to March 1st for maintenance and cleaning.

Admission cost is $1.50 for adults and $.75 for children. However, there are special discount rates for organized school groups and UNC alumni. Groups such as garden clubs, home demonstration clubs, study clubs, high school and college classes should make reservations for their visits as far in advance as possible.

A 45-minute guided tour is provided for visitors at the Chinqua-Penn Mansion. Guests are also welcome to wander at their leisure through the grounds and gardens. Beyond the gatehouse are picnic facilities and an automated lunch room for use by visiting guests.

Reservations and any additional information concerning Chinqua-Penn may be obtained by writing the Development Office, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, N.C. 27412, or by calling (919) 379-5677.

BOUNTIFUL BARGAINS

By Paul Phillips

The times dictate bargain hunting.

The ultimate bargain, it must be considered, is something without cost.

Travelers in North Carolina will be delighted to find that there are a wealth of things to see and do that don't require an admission price.

One of the most obvious things is scenery. Of course the scenery is free in other states too, but the variety and beauty of Tar Heel scenery is seldom matched.

Perhaps the state's most famous free attractions are the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the Blue Ridge Parkway, and the Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Here nature's grand design is always on display, and there are no ticket counters.

The flower show in North Carolina is quite spectacular. Nearly 3,000 different species of flowering plants are found throughout the state. There are many free gardens. The North Carolina Travel Development Section offers a free booklet on Tar Heel flowers and gardens. Write: Flowers, Box TP, Raleigh, North Carolina 27611.

Spring flowers present a lovely show, but there are many who argue that the real show stopper is the fall color season. The North Carolina mountains explode in a magnificent display of color. This show is also free.

For those who like the touch of sand on their toes or a gentle ocean breeze, it doesn't cost a cent to stroll down one of North Carolina's beaches. And the shells are free for the collecting. Crabbing and salt water fishing are free too.

North Carolina has 24 state parks throughout the state, and all have their special charm and interest. Admission is free, and picnicking, hiking, nature study and sightseeing head the list of costless events. The State Parks range from Mount Mitchell, highest peak east of the Mississippi, to unique Hammocks Beach, with its free passenger ferry near Swansboro.

The North Carolina Zoological Park is in the "Interim Zoo" state, but the facility near Asheboro has already attracted international attention.

Some 30 acres known as the Interim Zoo have been developed at the 1,371-acre site, and over 100 animals representing 45 species are already in residence. The "Interim Zoo" is free. When the first permanent exhibits are built during the next two years, it will mark the beginning of what will be the first total natural habitat zoo.

Visitors are encouraged to wander about the site, walking the nature trails, and hiking up 937-foot Purga Mountain. Picnic tables await t planning to bring lunch.

There are five National Historic S in North Carolina, and all played

Tar Heel Travel Guid

If you're interested in taking a vantage of some of North Carolin travel and vacation "bargains" b find yourself somewhat overwhelm by their very range and variety, he is easily available.

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important role in the heritage of the United States. Perhaps the most famous site is Wright Brothers National Memorial near Kill Devil Hills. Here on December 17, 1903, Wilbur and Orville Wright made the first flight in a power-driven airplane.

Fort Raleigh National Historic Site on Roanoke Island near Manteo is the site of the first English colonies in the new world, 1585-87. "The Lost Colony" was one of those colonizing efforts.

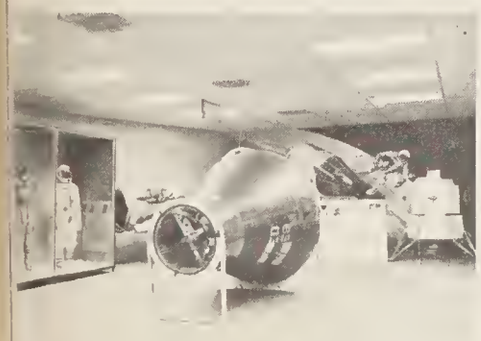
Guilford Courthouse National Military Park near Greensboro is where General Cornwallis, with 2,000 British troops, met in battle General Nathanael Greene, commanding an American force of 1,420 veterans and 2,900 raw recruits. The date was March 15, 1781, and Cornwallis' army was crippled, and the way paved for British surrender at Yorktown a little later.

Moores Creek National Military Park near Wilmington is the site of the first battle of the Revolution in North Carolina, February 27, 1776. This Patriot victory thwarted a grand scene of invasion of the southern colonies.

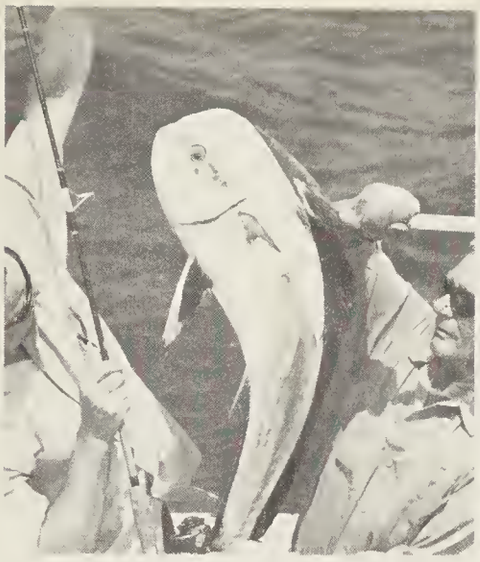
Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site at Flat Rock near Hendersonville is the first National Historic Site commemorating the work of a literary artist. The site is Connemara, a 240-acre farm Sandburg lived on for the last 22 years of his life. He lived here longer than in any other house.

North Carolina was the first state to have a national seashore. Cape Hatteras National Seashore offers a mecca for visitors. The Cape Hatteras Lighthouse, tallest in America, is open free to the public and may be climbed by the energetic. Snow geese provide an unusual treat when they winter at Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge.

Beaches on Portsmouth Island and Core and Shackleford Banks are unde-



N.C. Museum of Life and Science in Durham



Dolphin catch off Hatteras

veloped and have been designated as part of the new Cape Lookout National Seashore.

Four National Forests are within the boundaries of North Carolina — Nantahala, Uwharrie, Croatan, and Pisgah. All have nature trails and offer unusual and scenic views. Rhododendron gardens on Roan Mountain, Wiseman's View overlooking Linville Gorge, and Joyce Kilmer Memorial Forest are just a few of the treats in the National Forests.

Scattered throughout the North Carolina highlands are numerous waterfalls. Many can be viewed from your car. U.S. 64 west of Brevard leads through "waterfall" country.

The Blue Ridge Parkway has such interesting places as Cumberland Knob, Doughton Park, Moses H. Cone Memorial Park, Mount Pisgah and Craggy Gardens.

Clingman's Dome observation tower in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park offers a spectacular view. In North Carolina, 200 miles of the Appalachian Trail follow topmost mountain ridges through the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and Pisgah and Nantahala National Forests.

If picnicking is your cup of tea, the North Carolina Department of Transportation has 1,072 picnic tables along highways. There are 177 fireplaces or grills for those who want to do their own cooking.

Bladen Lake State Forest near Elizabethtown is an excellent and interesting example of scientific forest management.

North Carolina has 15 free State Historic Sites. They include Brunswick Town on the coast, Alamance Battleground near Burlington in the Piedmont, and Governor Zebulon B. Vance's Birthplace near Weaverville in the mountains.

More and more travelers are taking advantage of free industrial plant tours. The Travel Development Section has a free booklet listing 181 tours. Write: Tours, Box TP, Raleigh, North Carolina 27611. The tours range from tobacco markets, textile mills, and cigarette manufacturing to furniture factories.

There are over 60 free museums in the state. Most famous are the Art Museum, Museum of History, and Museum of Natural History, all in Raleigh. A random sampling of museums includes the Cape Hatteras Marine Museum; Country Doctor Museum at Bailey; Mint Museum of Art at Charlotte; North Carolina Museum of Life and Science in Durham; and the Potter's Museum at Seagrove. Also, there's the Museum of North Carolina Minerals on the Blue Ridge Parkway near Spruce Pine; the Pioneer Museum and Farmstead in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park near Cherokee; and the Indian Museum of the Carolinas at Laurinburg.

Handicrafts are an interesting facet to travel in the Tar Heel State. Weaving, metalwork, woodcarving, pottery and other arts can be observed year around at numerous centers and individually owned shops.

Practically every city and town in North Carolina has recreational facilities that are free.

The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission maintains some 116 free access boating areas on the state's waters.

There are plenty of things to see and do in North Carolina that are free. A complete list would stretch from coast to mountains.

Free is a bargain. And when you are traveling on a budget, the wise traveler will certainly sample some of North Carolina's complimentary attractions.

Fort Macon State Park near Morehead City

Large Appliances – Energy Gluttons

"I've quit using my electric toothbrush and my electric hill's just as high!"

That comment is typical of those being received almost daily hy the North Carolina State Utilities Commission consumer services office, with variations for electric shavers, hair dryers and other small appliances.

Commission officials point out that such appliances use little power and are used for only brief periods of time. Thus, curtailing their use can't make much difference in a monthly electric bill.

They suggest that consumers consider hoth the rated wattage use of any appliance and whether it's used only occasionally, frequently, or all the time.

For example, an electric clock using only two watts, but on all the time, consumes 17 kilowatt hours a year. Large appliances, such as refrigerators and freezers, are the major culprits hecause they are heavy power users and stay on constantly: A frost-free 14 cuhic foot refrigerator-freezer, rated at 615 watts, uses 1,829 kwh per year, while a conventional-defrost model of the same size uses 1,137 kwh.

The Electric Energy Association has compiled the table below for the estimated electrical usage of 38 other household appliances:

Item	Av. Wattage	Est. Annual KWH Use
Broiler	1,436	100
Coffee maker	894	106
Deep fryer	1,448	83
Dishwasher	1,201	363
Frying pan	1,196	186
Hot plate	1,257	90
Oven (microwave)	1,450	190
Range (with oven)	12,200	1,175
Range (self cleaning)	12,200	1,205
Roaster	1,333	205
Toaster	1,146	39
Trash compactor	400	50
Freezer (15 cu. ft.)	341	1,195
Freezer (Frostless, 15)	440	1,761
Refrigerator (12 cu. ft.)	241	728
Refrigerator (Frostless, 12)	321	1,217
Clothes dryer	4,856	993
Iron (hand)	1,008	144
Wash machine (automatic)	512	103
Wash machine (nonautomatic)	286	76
Water heater	2,475	4,219
Water heater (quick recovery)	4,474	4,811
Air conditioner (room)	860	860*
Bed covering	177	147
Dehumidifier	257	377
Heater, portable	1,322	176
Humidifier	177	163
Hair dryer	381	14
Heat lamp (infrared)	250	13
Radio	71	86
TV (hlack & white, tube)	160	350
TV (hlack & white, solid st.)	55	120
TV (color, tube)	300	660
TV (color, solid st.)	200	440
Clock	2	17
Sewing machine	75	11
Vacuum cleaner	630	46
Toothbrush	7	½

★ Based on 1,000 hours of operation per year.

Cheer!

A small boy returned home fro school and told his father that he w second in his class. Top place, explained, was held by a girl. "Surel John," said the father, "you're not goi to be beaten by a mere girl!"

"Well, you see, Father," explain John, "girls are not nearly as mere they used to be."

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A couple of fellows paid a high pr for a bird dog and took him out for field test.

After an hour, one said in disgu "This dog is no good. We might as w put him to sleep."

"Let's throw him in the air one m time," said the other. "If he doesn't f we'll kill him."

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A visitor to Washington parked his near the Capitol. As he stepped out said to a man standing nearby, "If y are going to be here for a few minut will you keep an eye on my car?"

"Do you realize that I'm a U Senator?" asked the bystander.

"No, I didn't know," said the motori "but it's all right. I'll trust you anyway.

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Johnny: "I fell into a mud puddle."

Mother: "What? With your new pan on?"

Johnny: "Yeah, I fell in so fast I didn have time to take them off."

"Guess who's finally old enough to shave her legs."

Carolina Country invites you to Fly the Flag for the Bicentennial.

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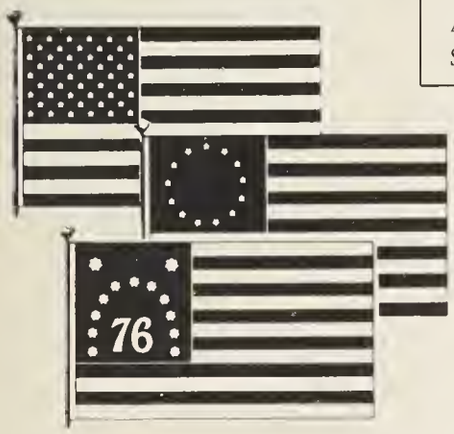

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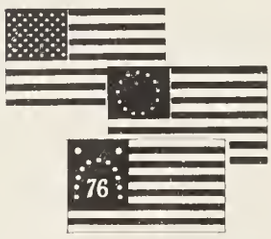

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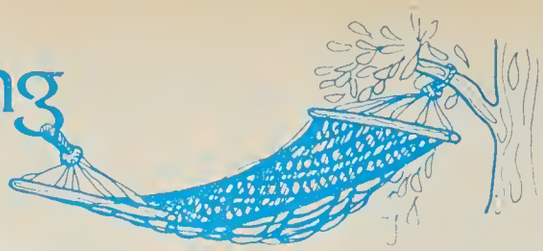

Budget Tips on Gift-Giving, Mailing Costs and Card-Sending

• Do not buy "bargain" packs of gift wrap until you read the labels to compare costs per inch with other packs.

• Use yarn remnants or wool instead of expensive ready-made bows.

• Use a colorful shopping bag for large or odd-shaped gifts.

• Gift-wrap boxed articles in newspaper, fitting the sections you use to the type of gift you are giving: comics for a child's gift, the real estate section for a new-home gift, etc. Use brown paper and cut designs from colorful construction paper or old greeting cards and paste them on.

• Use a felt marking pen or paint on designs. Wrap presents in old roadmaps, posters or with old fabric remnants.

• Plants you have grown from cuttings and placed in pretty planters make wonderful presents.

• Decorate empty, large jars and fill with homemade candies or cookies as presents.

• Instead of a purchase, give a "promissory note" or "IOU" for five cooking lessons, needlework lessons, two hours of baby-sitting, etc., as a present.

• Make up your own kits of items yo find in dime, hardware and drugstor rather than buying prepackaged ones.

• Take advantage of the special boo rate for mailing books or other printe material and records.

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A Tribute To A Great Cook!

Mrs. Wade H. Lee

Mrs. Wade H. Lee of Polkton is one of hose remarkable rural North Carolina vomen who exemplifies all that we onor and pay tribute to on this Mother's)ay. Through the years she has been nown in her family and eommunity as gracious hostess, great eook, aetive hureh and eommunity leader and the ind of mother that has instilled in her ildren the desire to excel and eontri- ute their best.

Mrs. Lee, the wife of a retired dairy rmer, has been reeipient of the N.C. ome Demonstration Leaders Award in 957, the Woodman of the World Com- unity Serviee Award in 1959, and a nday School teaeher for nearly 20 ars. She is a fulltime employee of the anly Knitting Mill in Oakboro and joys, in her spare time, sewing, needle- rk and visiting the sick and elderly in r community.

ller four children; Eddie B. Lee of lkton; Mrs. Linda Cowan of adesboro; Mrs. Doloris Evans of leigh; and Mrs. Phoebe Setser of noir; wished to honor their mother this nth and sent in four of their favorite ipes from Mrs. Lee's many. They te that despite the faet all three ughters have degrees in home eco- nies, "mother ean eook circles around

he Lees are served by Pee Dee EMC

Country Kitchen

If you have a favorite recipe that you would like to share through this column, send it to: Brenda Sargent, Kitchen Corner 3333 N. Boulevard, Raleigh, N.C. 27604. Tell us something about the recipe and any helpful tips that you have discovered in preparing it, your family and the name of the EMC that serves you. We pay $2 for the recipe chosen monthly for this column.

Coffee Cake

2 sticks margarine
1 cup sugar
1 egg
1 cup graham cracker crumbs
½ cup milk
1 cup chopped pecans
1 cup coconut
As many whole graham crackers as needed.

Line the bottom of a 9" x 13" pan with whole graham crackers. Melt margarine over low flame. Beat egg, milk and sugar together and mix with melted margarine. (Be sure to pour mixture into the butter and not other way around). Bring mixture to boil and remove from heat. Add nuts, coconut, and cracker crumbs. Pour into pan and spread. Top with another layer of whole graham crackers. Ice with the following:

¾ stick margarine
2 cups confectionary sugar
1 Tbs. milk
½ tsp. vanilla flavoring

Cream margarine and sugar; combine ingredients and beat until smooth. Ice cake while still hot and chill for about two hours. Cut into one inch squares.

Squash Casserole

2 cans of squash, drained
1 can mushroom soup
1 carton sour cream
1 carrot, grated
1 onion grated
¾ cup cheese
½ stick melted butter
4 oz. (½ pkg.) seasoned bread crumbs

Combine all ingredients and bake in square dish until it bubbles (350 degrees for about 30 to 40 minutes). Sprinkle small amount of crumbs on top last few minutes before removing from oven.

Oatmeal Pie

(This can be served for breakfast since it has oatmeal and eggs in it.)

1½ cup oatmeal (one-minute cooking)
¼ lb. melted butter
3 eggs
¼ cup sugar
1¼ cup corn syrup
1 tsp. vanilla

Mix and pour into 2 (8-inch) unbaked pie crusts. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Variations: Add one can of cherry pie filling or blueberry pie filling. Omit vanilla flavoring and add black walnut flavoring.

Mexican Corn

(When Mr. and Mrs. Lee were just married and living in Texas, Mrs. Lee discovered this dish.)

1 pint corn (fresh or frozen)
¼ lb. butter
¼ cup pimento pepper (green)
¼ cup pimento pepper (red)
1 cup onion rings
1 cup tomatoes (cut in cubes)
1½ tsp. salt
¼ tsp. oregano

Mix corn, butter, peppers, salt and onion rings in heavy skillet. Cook covered 7 minutes on medium heat. Stir several times with wooden spoon. Add tomatoes and oregano, cook uncovered 2 minutes longer or until tomatoes are heated.

The Carolina Homemaker

Campsite Cookery

By Diane Fistori
NCSU Extension Foods and Nutrition Specialist

PLANNING SUGGESTIONS

Successful camping meals depend upon simplicity, planning, cooperation and a little imagination.

Plan menus for every meal in advance. You may want to deviate from these menus on occasion but it helps in shopping to prepare menus ahead.

Keep your menu flexible so you can cook the fish you catch or try local foods when possible.

When planning outdoor menus, take into account the method of cooking; cooking and cleanup time; limited refrigeration and storage facilities; and the fact that appetites will increase and your family will eat more food than usual.

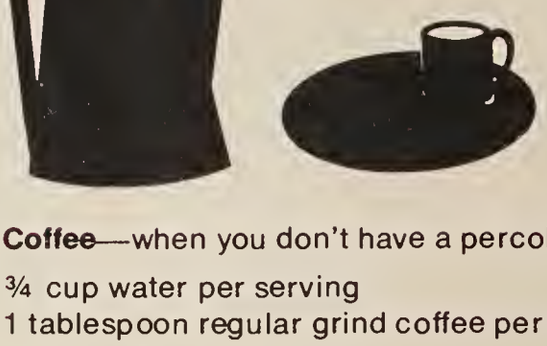
Plan for emergency food items, such as canned stew —just in case your original menu can't be carried out.

Shop ahead. Take as much food with you as possible. Fresh meats, fruits and vegetables can be replenished as you travel. It is best to take many of the foods you need from home. They may cost more when bought at vacation areas.

Prepare some foods ahead so you will have more time to enjoy yourself while camping. Spaghetti sauce, chili or goulash that has been prepared ahead and frozen serve a dual purpose. They last longer and act as ice in your cooler or ice chest.

EQUIPMENT CHECK LIST Essentials

____ camp stove
____ cooler or ice chest
____ cook kit
____ fry pan
____ 1 or 2 spatulas
____ 2 large spoons
____ knife
____ can & beverage opener
____ pot holders—asbestos gloves
____ plates (paper are handy but styrofoam keep food hotter)
____ cups
____ silverware
____ tablecloth
____ fuel
____ water container full of water
____ matches
____ clothes line and clothes pins



Coffee—when you don't have a percolator

¾ cup water per serving
1 tablespoon regular grind coffee per serving

In saucepan over medium coals or heat, hea until just boiling. Add coffee and stir. Let steep over medium heat for 6 to 8 minutes boil. Add a washed egg shell to settle ground

LUNCH SUGGESTIONS

Lunch should be easy to prepare. It is a good idea if you will be on the road during lunch to do as much preparation at breakfast time as possible—hard cook eggs for sandwiches—slice carrot and celery sticks and so on. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

Soup and sandwiches are always a good choice. Dehydrated soups are easy to carry and prepare. Prepared sandwich spreads are a good choice—especially when you are on the road.

Wrapped Vegetables

sh vegetables, slice and place each serving on vidual squares of heavy foil. Dot liberally with garine. Add two tablespoons of water to each. son with salt and pepper. Seal foil tightly. Place coals for 10 minutes on each side. This works well summer squash, potatoes, zucchini, carrots, ns and green beans.

DINNER SUGGESTIONS

Bar-B-Que Beans

Divide 16-ounce can of pork and beans into four portions on 4 squares of heavy duty foil. Add sliced frankfurters to each. Top with chopped onion, ¼ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce, a dab of catsup and a dash of pepper. Seal foil tightly. Cook over fire for 10 minutes.

Hobo Dinner

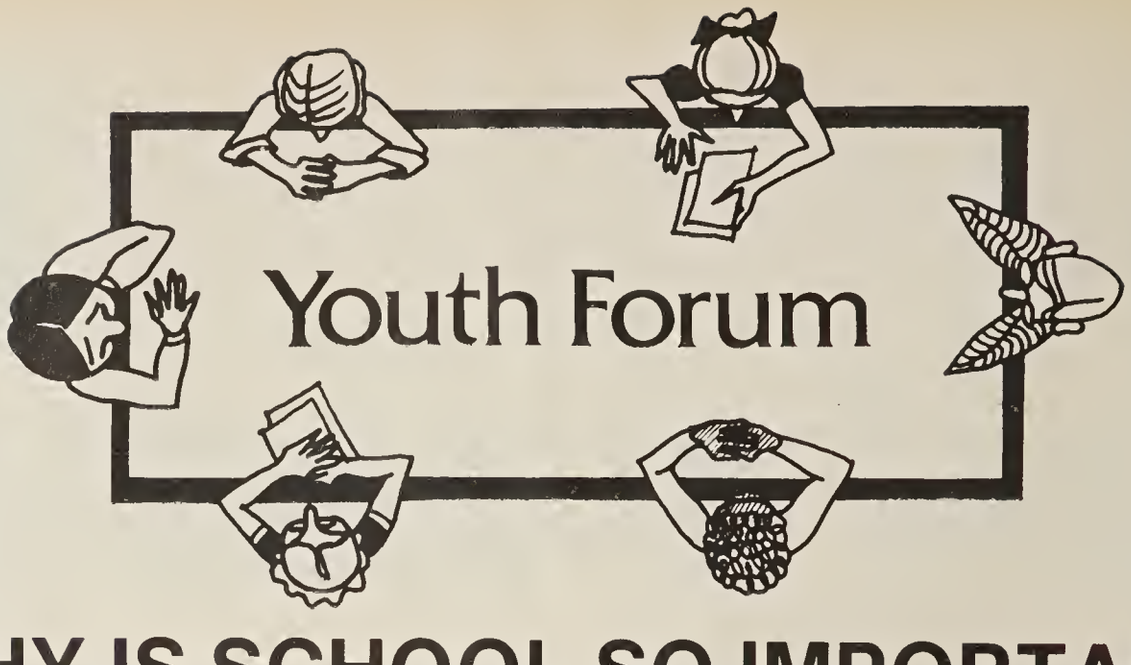
Cut beef into one-inch cubes. Place enough meat cubes for individual serving portion in center of sheet of heavy duty foil. Add small ripe tomato; green pepper rings; small onion, quartered; small potato quartered to each packet. Season with salt and pepper. Add a pat of margarine to each. Seal foil with double fold to make a tight package. Cook over coals about one hour.

Campsite Cookery, *brochure (H.E. 186), may be ordered from NCSU, State University Station, Raleigh, N.C. 27607.*

SAMPLE MENUS FOR A WEEKEND CAMPING TRIP

	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
eakfast		Juice Eggs Bacon Muffin	Creamed Chipped Beef on Toast Fruit Coffee - Milk	Fried Apples French Toast Bacon Coffee - Milk
nch	Sandwiches Raw Vegetables Fresh Fruit Cookies Milk	Sandwiches Raw Vegetables Pickles Brownies Milk	Egg Salad Sandwiches Pickles Vegetable Sticks Cookies Fresh Fruit Milk	Prepare sandwiches for trip home.
ner	Spaghetti Rolls Tossed Salad Fresh Fruit Coffee - Milk	Fisherman's Luck Fried Fish Foil Wrapped Onions, Potatoes, & Carrots Salad Rolls Fresh Fruit Coffee - Milk	Beef Stew Sliced Tomatoes Cucumbers Biscuits Brownies Coffee - Milk	

pare brownies, muffins
spaghetti sauce at home.



"WHY IS SCHOOL SO IMPORTANT?"

"School teaches the importanee of personal and community health, as it develops a person's abilities and talents. Schools also help in teaching young people the need for respecting the rights of others and living cooperatively with them in the community. They help children and young people to become good students, to learn their obligations as citizens, and to understand and interpret national and international events. They teach many important skills. Schools also provide knowledge that helps make students useful, productive members of society."

Debra Young
Grassy Creek

Debra is 13 and in the eighth grade at Lansing Elementary School. She enjoys fishing, sewing, hiking, and being with people and animals. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Young, are served by Blue Ridge EMC.

"A rapidly changing economy, computerization, and atomic power are three reasons that school is important. Living in a mechanized society, a person must understand his environment in order to cope with his own problems and to succeed. The only way to gain knowledge is through a tremendous amount of effort in school. For a person to find a job, he must know as much as possible about many topics. You must keep up with progress; it will not wait for you."

Mary L. King
Wake Forest

Mary is a 16-year-old sophomore at Wake Forest Senior High School. Her hobbies are art and horses. She and her grandmother, Mrs. Bessie D. Hagwood, are served by Wake EMC.

"School is important because education is the basis or background for everything you do in life. According to the dictionary, school is a place of learning. It doesn't matter how much or how little you learn — it can never be taken from you. You learn more than just how to read and write. You learn to get along with others and be a loser as well as a winner. School is important, and best of all, it is free!

Susan Brown
Richlands

Susan is 13 and attends Trexler Junior High Sch where she enjoys reading. She and her parents, Mr. a Mrs. Robert Brown, are served by Jones-Onslow EMC.

"School is important, because in my opinion, an educatio the key to a better America. Our schools (both public and p vate), provide an education which makes better leaders. W better leaders our nation will remain No. 1. As Ben Frank once said, 'If a man empties his purse into his head, no one take it away from him . . .' Without schools, education wo not be possible."

Beverly J. Lo
Kitt

Beverly is 16 and a junior at Franklinton High Sch She enjoys singing, reading, sewing, and all kinds sports. She and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Long, served by Wake EMC.

NEXT QUESTION: "Why should every teenag have a hobby?"

This question was submitted by Carol Renee Manning Raleigh. She is 12 and attends Raleigh Academy where hobbies are ballet, painting, piano, writing, and swimmi She and her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Charles R. Manning, hav cottage at Emerald Isle which is served by Carteret-Cra EMC.

If you have a good answer, send it to YOUTH FORU Carolina Country, 3333 North Boulevard, Raleigh, 27604 immediately. Tell us a few facts about yourself your age, school, hobbies, etc. Include your paren name and the name of the electric membership corpor tion serving you. If your answer is published, we w send you $5. If you want to submit a question, send along and for each one used, the sender will receive a check.

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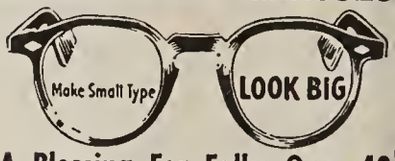

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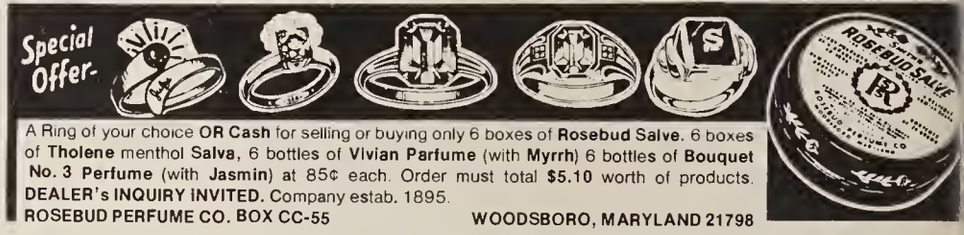

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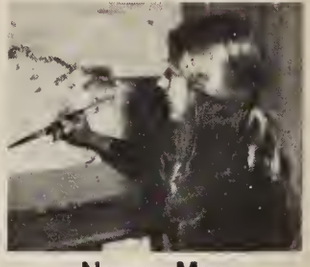

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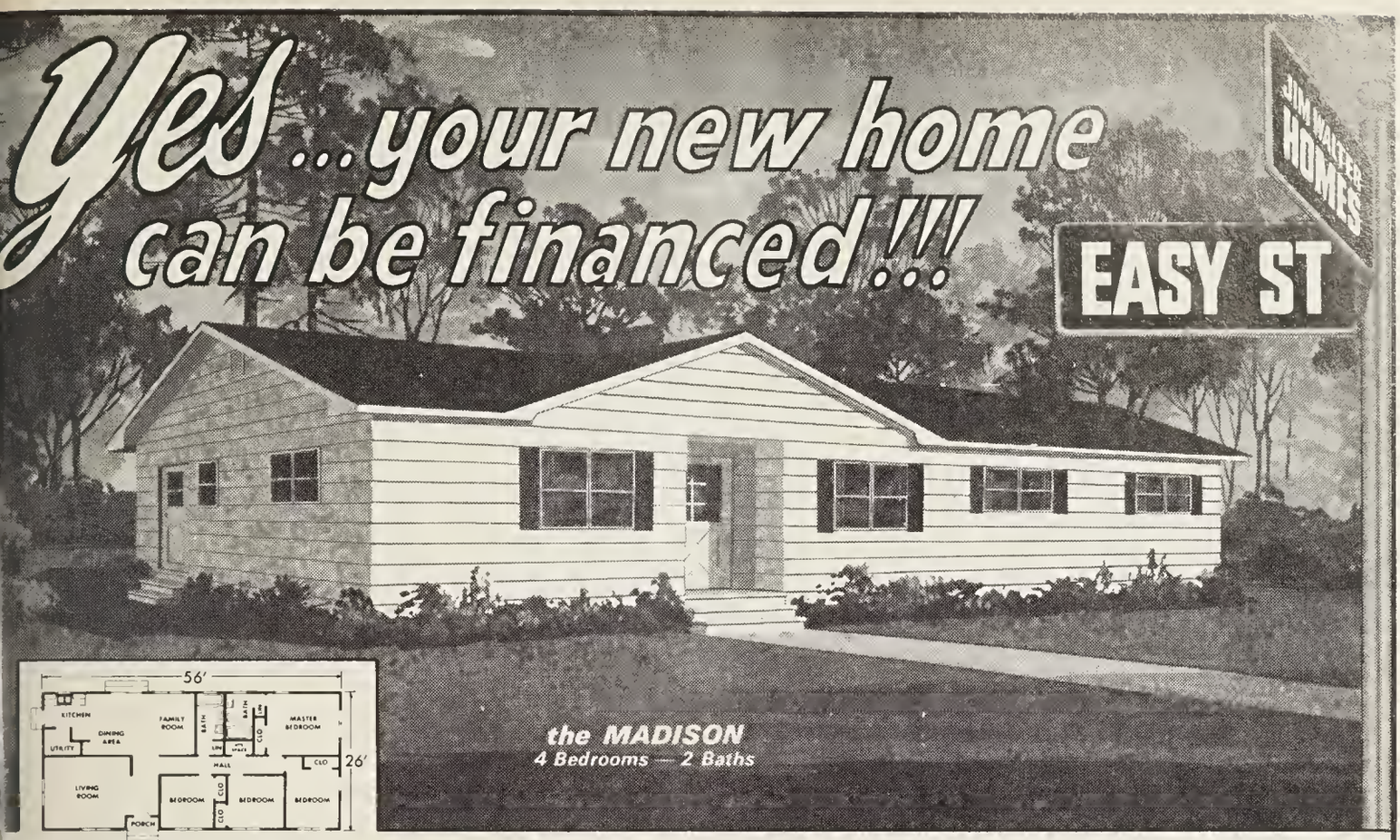

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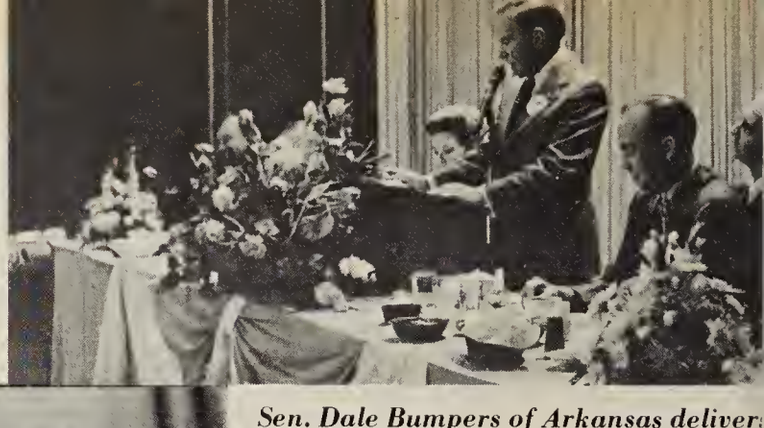
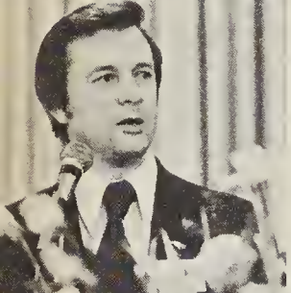
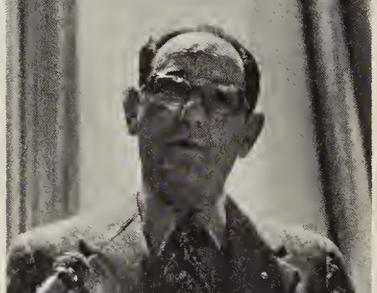




Lt. Gov. Jim Hunt Introducing Speaker

Sen. Dale Bumpers Addressing Banquet



Robert D. Partridge NRECA Executive Vice President

Sen. Dale Bumpers of Arkansas delivers keynote address before an audience of thau 600 at the General Assembly Banq of the N.C. EMC Anuual Meetiug. (Abov left) Jimmy Green, speaker of the N.C. l of Representatives, was featured speake the Rural Electric Action Program Bree fast. With him, left to right, are N.C. EM Presideut Horace Moore, N.C. EMC Exe Vice President Robert N. Cleveland and State Sen. Thomas Strickland of Wayne County. (Above)

At N.C. EMC Annual Meeting

Energy, Inflation Share Spotlight

The nation's recovery from inflation must begin with the application of remedies to restore the confidence of the American people in themselves, in their government and in their elected leaders.

That proposition was set forth in dynamic terms by Sen. Dale Bumpers of Arkansas, as he addressed the General Assembly Banquet at the 1975 Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation in Raleigh, March 10-13.

In waging this "battle to restore confidence," Bumpers said, the Congress and other national leaders can count on the country's natural "resiliency and its ability to bounce back."

Calling inflation the "most serious tax that America bears," he said, "If it costs you 10 per cent more to make ends meet and live in 1975 than it did in 1974, and your income only goes up 5 per cent, you've suffered a 5 per cent tax on your income."

He added: "When the price of what the farmer sells goes down 17 per cent in one year and the price of what you pay for that product at the supermarket goes up 12 per cent in that same year, something is seriously wrong in America.

"When the banks of America enjoy the most profitable year they have ever had in 1974 and right now have the greatest cash reserves for loans in the history of the country — and yet are charging people 8, 9 or 10 per cent interest — something is seriously wrong in America."

The country, he said, cannot tolerate these things "and keep the faith and the spirit of the people alive and restore their confidence in government."

Bumpers, a two-term Arkansas governor who won election to the Senate last fall after defeating Sen. William J. Fulbright in the 1974 Democratic primary, suggested that Americans are "tired of confrontation politics and excessive partisanship."

He said, "They are tired of politicians catering to every wh and caprice of literally thousands of special interest grou especially when it means supporting issues which are odds w the best interests of the nation.

He concluded that the nation's "stairway of recovery" m be designed so that each of its steps is calculated to lead another and another.

"During this ordeal, we can constantly do everything pos ble to raise your hopes and assure you that we're going to w The confidence of the people is over 50 per cent of the battle.

"To paraphrase an old Chinese proverb: The good lead are the ones who cause people to have confidence in them. T great leaders are the ones who cause people to have confide in each other."

More than 600 EMC leaders, state officials and members the North Carolina General Assembly attended the banqu The primary focus of the meeting was the nationwide ener crunch as its affects North Carolina EMCs and their consume members.

Robert D. Partridge, executive vice president of the Natio Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA), pointed that the U.S. has placed itself "almost at the mercy of the barons here and abroad" through its dependence upon oil a natural gas.

"Consider the staggering fact that while we represent only per cent of the world population, we consumer 30 per cent more of the petroleum and natural gas the world produces," said.

Pointing to recent forecasts predicting that the U.S. oil an natural gas supplies will be exhausted in 25 years, Partrid said, "We've got to move almost on a crash basis with o energy research and development program. This is the on

ay we can come up with alternative sources of fuel and ergy needed to fill the eventual gap caused by the depletion oil and natural gas."

Roger Maquelier, manager of utility sales, Consumer oducts Co. of Westinghouse, noted that all the alternative ergy sources must be converted into electricity before they n be used.

"As a result, you in the electric business have the only key to e future of this country so far as the energy requirements are neerned. There is no choice."

n commenting on current efforts to promote energy nservation, he said the emphasis is misplaced because it esses conservation in the home, where only 18 per cent of the tion's energy is used. Other energy requirements in the U.S., said, are 40 per cent for industry, 28 per cent for transporta-n, and 14 per cent for commercial establishments.

Two speakers offered insights into the intricacies of electric operatives sharing ownership of power generation facilities h investor-owned power companies — a concept now being sidered in North Carolina. The state's EMCs own no power eration plants and buy all their power supplies from pri-e power companies at wholesale rates for re-sale to their sumer-members.

loward Cummins, executive manager of Ohio Rural Electric operatives, Inc. and Buckeye Power, Inc., traced the steps en by Ohio cooperatives in establishing a joint power ply system with Ohio Power Co.

filton Chase, engineering officer with the National Rural ities Cooperative Finance Corp., discussed some of the blems involved in financing such joint power supply ven-s.

obert N. Cleveland, executive vice president and general nager of N.C. EMC, said his organization is already en-ed in negotiations with Duke Power Co. with regard to ring its power supply facilities.

"We're hopeful that we will soon have an agreement covering and then we'll sit down with Duke officials and try to mer out the methods by which we own and control our power source. Similar overtures will be made to other er companies serving the state," he said.

ther speakers were Joe Zoller, director of the Northeast a for the Rural Electrification Administration; Jimmy en, speaker of the N.C. House of Representatives; and C. tis Griggs, chief of consumer services for the State Utilities mission.

uring the meeting, the N.C. EMC Board of Directors pted a resolution urging all the state's EMCs to organize ien's committees as a means of expanding their member re-ons programs. Some EMCs already have functioning ien's committees.

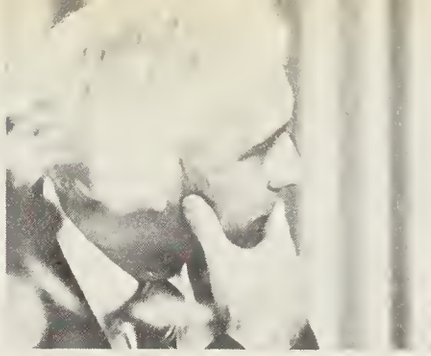
the Awards Luncheon, Marvin Nelson, NRECA safety dinator, presented safety accreditation certificates to five s: Pitt and Greene, Pee Dee, Wake, Davidson, and South r.

addition, 12 EMC directors and one manager were recog-d for meritorious service to the rural electric program. (See *ple*, Page 2)

w officers elected at the meeting were Hugh Crigler, ager of Davidson EMC, president; Gordon Becton, a direc-of Carteret-Craven EMC, vice president; and Douglas P. y, manager of Wake EMC, secretary-treasurer.

igler served as vice president of N.C. EMC during the past e.

officers of N.C. EMC, elected at the annual meeting. Hugh Crigler, president, center; Gordon Becton, president, left; and Douglas P. Leary, secretary-surer, right.



Sen. Dale Bampers makes a point in conversation with N.C. EMC Executive Vice President Robert N. Cleveland at General Assembly Banquet. (Above) Other speakers at the Annual Meeting included Howard Cummins, executive manager of Ohio Rural Electric Cooperatives (Top right); Milton Chase, engineering officer with National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corp. (Center right); Roger Masquelier, manager of utility sales, Consumer Products Co. of Westinghouse (Bottom right); C. Curtis Griggs, chief of consumer services for the State Utilities Commission (Below right); and Joe Zoller, director of the Northeast Area for REA (Below).

Poet's Corner

Mother Passed This Way

If I could be the kind of soul
That I would like to be,
If I could reach a cherished goal
And know that it was me,
I'd set a course of peace and love
And shun disparity.
I'd base my hopes on God above
And speak with charity.
I'd always lend a helpful hand
To other people's needs.
My mortal trek would be well planned,
A path of golden deeds.
There'd be no need to stop and fail
Or waste a single day.
No need for me to blaze a trail,
For Mother passed this way!

Paul Ellis Bowman
Hickory

To Mother on Mother's Day

If I could have but one wish,
I know exactly what it would be.
To be the kind of friend to my child,
That my mother has been to me.

Longing to love, and to be loved in return,
Is all that she has ever asked.
To be cared for and needed by
family and friend,
Is a type of happiness that always last.

I know it will be hard to be like her,
To have her compassion, her
concern for man.
For I am afraid that my life,
unlike my mother's,
Wasn't personally molded by
God's own hand.

Patsy Sprinkle

(Patsy is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Taylor of Rich Square. Mr. Taylor is manager of Roanoke EMC.)

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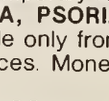

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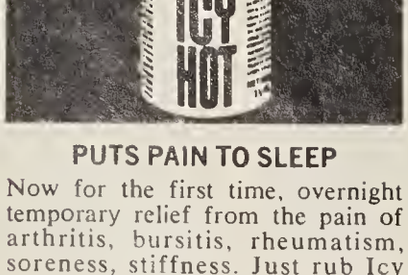

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